

MEDINA CITY COUNCIL
STUDY SESSION MEETING MINUTES

March 27, 2006
7:00 pm

Medina City Hall
501 Evergreen Point Road

CALL TO ORDER

Miles Adam called the March 27, 2006 City Council Study Session to order at 7:02 pm.

ROLL CALL

Present: Mayor Miles Adam, Deputy Mayor Robert Rudolph
Councilmembers Lucius Biglow, Drew Blazey, James Lawrence, Katie Phelps,
and Pete Vall-Spinosa

City Staff Present: Douglas Schulze, City Manager; Wayne Tanaka, City Attorney,
Ogden Murphy Wallace; Jeff Chen, Chief of Police; Joe Willis, Director of Public Works;
Joseph Gellings, Director of Development Services; Bob Rohrbach, Building Official;
Kristin Hoffman, City Landscape Consultant, Otak; and Rachel Baker, Administrative
Assistant

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Adam announced he and the city manger attended two meetings last week with the mayors from the points communities to discuss the SR-520 project where the decision was made to compose one joint position paper. Adam said city staff would meet later in the week with Representative Ross Hunter; in two weeks community mayors would meet with Representatives Rodney Tom and Hunter to present the position paper, then the following week would present it to Governor Gregoire.

Rudolph announced he attended a meeting last week with Senator Patty Murray, hosted by Bellevue Mayor Grant Degginger and attended by representatives from 15 eastside cities, which addressed transportation issues, growth management act, and budget cuts for community development block grants. Rudolph said he presented Medina's concerns regarding the SR-520 project and jet noise.

Schulze announced he received a letter from Allied Waste Services concerning the possibility of a Teamster's Local 174 strike pending a March 31st contract expiration date. He said the letter indicated a contingency plan would be arranged in the event of a strike and information would be posted to the city website and available in the media.

DISCUSSION

83rd Avenue Northeast Speed Humps (7:28 pm)

Willis provided information and the history for the proposal and answered council inquiries.

Adam opened floor to public comment.

Kristen Edelhertz, 8215 Northeast Eighth Street (7:37 pm)

Ms. Edelhertz reported she resides on the one-way street and submitted written statements on behalf of two of her neighbors that also reside on the street, but were unable to attend the meeting. Ms. Edelhertz voiced support for the speed hump proposal.

Karen Sparks, 853 – 83rd Avenue Northeast (7:39 pm)

Ms. Sparks provided comments about the one-way street, offered speed hump alternatives and proposed the council look into alternatives further. Ms. Sparks submitted a written statement to be included with the public record.

The floor was closed to audience participation.

Blazey distributed a handout regarding his research on speed humps. Discussion among the council followed and produced suggestions for speed hump alternatives. Mayor asked Schulze to provide mitigation information to the council at a future meeting.

Building Permit Triggers (8:06 pm)

Gellings introduced item and answered council inquiries. Following discussion, council recommended the fence permit trigger valuation be changed to \$2500 for fences more than four feet in height, and the decorative pool/pond permit trigger to be changed to a water depth exceeding 24". There was consensus to place item on the April 10th consent agenda.

Tree Preservation Ordinance (8:31 pm)

Gellings distributed a summary of mitigation requirements for private property tree removal and answered council inquiries.

Mayor opened the floor to public comment.

Michelle Kastner, 1253 Evergreen Point Road (8:48 pm)

Ms. Kastner read from a written statement and submitted it for the record. The resident described her situation involving the ordinance and recommended it be rewritten.

Mark Nelson, 1233 Evergreen Point Road (8:57 pm)

Mr. Nelson distributed a handout, and cited information from his written statement. Mr. Nelson suggested the ordinance be studied and mitigation alternatives be considered.

Wilma Edmonds, 7721 NE 24th Street (9:08 pm)

Ms. Edmonds voiced objection against the ordinance and recommended the council view a home on the southeast corner of 79th and 24th to see results of mitigation requirements.

Mayor closed the floor to audience participation.

Council entered into discussion and agreed to email individual interests to Gellings and a copy to Schulze prior to the April 10th council meeting for consolidation into a single list for use during the May study session. Discussion produced a suggestion to utilize an outside consultant. Schulze conveyed previous analyses and reports could be formatted into an organized report to assist with further council review.

2006 Fee Schedule (9:54 pm)

Schulze addressed changes to updated fee schedule and discussion followed.

MOTION PHELPS AND SECOND VALL-SPINOSA TO CONTINUE MEETING TEN MINUTES MOTION PASSED 7-0, 10:03 PM.
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MOTION LAWRENCE AND SECOND RUDOLPH TO PLACE FEE SCHEDULE ON APRIL 10 TH CONSENT AGENDA, MOTION PASSED 7-0, 10:06 PM.

Council Agenda Calendar (10:06 pm)

Council agenda calendar discussed.

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION BLAZEY AND SECOND LAWRENCE TO ADJOURN MARCH 27, 2006 STUDY SESSION, MOTION PASSED 7-0, 10:18 PM.

The March 27, 2006, Study Session of the Medina City Council adjourned at 10:18 pm.

The next City Council Regular Meeting will be held, Monday, April 10, 2006 at 7:00 pm.

Mayor Miles R. Adam

Attest:

Rachel Baker, Administrative Assistant